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Karen A. Lacourciere :
For: POST-TRANSCRIPTIONAL GENE :
SILENCING BY RNAi IN :
MAMMALIAN CELLS :

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement mailed October 1, 2003. This paper is being filed within the one-month shortened statutory period for reply, and thus no fee is believed due. If a fee is due, please charge deposit account no. 50-0573.

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Applicant hereby confirm the provisional election of Group I (claims 1-11 and 14-20) drawn to a method of disrupting target cell expression and treating a disease using RNA interference, made by Paul Carango on September 25, 2003. This election is being made without traverse. An early and favorable action on the claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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